

## Letter from Alexander Graham Bell to Mabel Hubbard Bell, August 24, 1875, with transcript

Salem, Mass. Aug. 24th, 1875. Dear Miss Mabel,

In the very kind note you sent me from Siasconset you said:-

“I thank you for your promise not to approach this subject again until I have had more time to know you and myself” &c.

Believe me that it will always be my endeavor to avoid any subject that may give you pain. But in this matter I want you to trust me that I shall act in a fit and proper manner without considering that I have made any promise at all. If you cannot trust me in this I would rather have you banish me at once.

It is not my intention to approach the subject any more without your leave — but I cannot and will not enter into obligations in the matter.

I am waiting for your parents' answer to my letter.

Should it be favorable — I shall call again as usual — unless I hear that you desire me to be absent.

With kind regards, Yours very sincerely A. Graham Bell. Miss Mabel G. Hubbard Brattle St.  
— Cambridge.